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Moving Out...and In...

By Stuart Bacon

CENTER BATTELL OPENS and the girls move in. (top) Norman Crowder '56 unpacks Pamela Clark's '57 luggage as she moves into the new sophomore dorm. (bottom) Barbara Page '57 and Margaret Zornow '57 unload in their room amidst many shoes.

AMB Dance To Be Held Saturday Nite

A reversal of the usual boy-ask-girl dating system will occur Saturday night when Middlebury co-eds take their escorts to the annual "All Men Broke" dance sponsored by Women's Forum. Proceeds from the affair, to be held in McCullough Gym from 8:30 p.m. to 12 midnight will go to the Forum Scholarship Fund.

Gail Howard '55, chairman, has announced that a circus theme has been selected as background. Music will be provided by Al Hayes and the Black Panthers of Middlebury. LeRoy Craig '55, Wyman Rolph '57, Carolyn Breaks '56 and Ronald Hannah '56 will be featured as entertainment.

Assisting Miss Howard in dance arrangements are Betty Jane Davis '57, publicity; Carolyn Hitchcock '57, refreshments; Jean Squire '56, decorations; and Susan Glover '56, entertainment. Tickets are $1.25 per couple.

Assemblies Weigh Joint Government

Joint student government was the topic for discussion at a joint meeting of MUA and WUA, held on February 25, and presided over by Walter Beevers '55 and Jane Robinson '55.

Beevers explained that a delay on any decision concerning joint student government had been caused by the time which was taken to acquire from the administration a letter stating the place and scope of student government at Middlebury. The letter was printed in part in last week's issue of the CAMPUS.

The question of the necessity of joint government was raised by Marita Mower '56. A discussion of joint committees which had worked successfully in the past semester was offered as justification for the necessity of joint government.

Mark Benz '56 and Wendy Buehr '56 were appointed heads of a new committee to continue investigation into the problem with the endorsement of both undergraduate bodies.

Car Committee To Meet Friday

The fourth meeting of the combined student-faculty-administration trustee committee on cars will be held tomorrow, March 4, at 3:30 in the trustee room of Old Chapel.

The group will continue discussion of the car situation at Middlebury.

Specified Week Set For General Exams

SEPC Recommendation Approved By Faculty After Committee Study

A Student Educational Policy Committee recommendation to hold general examinations during a specified week in May was approved by the faculty after study by its General Examination Committee.

Abernethy Lecture

Bradford Smith will deliver the annual Abernethy Lecture tonight in Mead Memorial Chapel at 8 p.m. His topic will be "The Search For The Community."

The address is given in commemoration of the birthday of Dr. Julian Abernethy, the library's founder. Admission is free.

General examinations, better known as comprehensives, were previously administered during the period between May 15 and the day before final spring semester exams began.

May 16-21 Set As Week

The new policy, now in effect, will contract nearly all general examinations, both oral and written, to the week of May 16-21.

In approving a special examination week, the faculty also accepted two suggestions concerning general exam procedure. It was agreed that no pre-announced tests or written papers will be assigned to classes in which seniors are enrolled. This suggestion was made with the purpose of relieving graduating students of some academic obligations during general exam week.

MST Makes Request

The Military Science and Tactics division requested that no general exams be scheduled on either May 18 or 19 if advanced ROTC seniors would be affected. Since the military department is already scheduled for a top-level inspection from higher headquarters on these days, 24 advanced ROTC students would find it impossible to attend other departmental or divisional exams.

The new general examination policy, which will allow more than a week between general exams and semester finals, is expected to in-

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'Campus', 'Kaleid' Plan Coffee Hour

CAMPUS and "Kaleidoscope" will sponsor the student-faculty coffee hour to be held tomorrow afternoon from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the South Lounge of the Student Union building. Members of the English, French, and chemistry departments and advisors of the sponsoring organizations will be special guests. All faculty members and students are invited to attend.

Sponsorship of coffee hours by various campus organizations originated this year under the guidance of a committee in the Womens Undergraduate Association. Previously they had been organized by Mortar Board which instituted the plan originally.

Romp Through New Battell Leads Men To Maze Of Old

By Henry McFarland

Center Battell, Middlebury's newest living quarters for women, opened its doors officially for the first time on Thursday, February 24 to permit viewers to inspect its interior before the women moved in the following Saturday.

The occasion was a peculiar one in that the average Battell goer of the masculine variety paid no attention to traditional boundaries. Instead, he played the game wide open and was to be found wandering almost anywhere within the confines of the Battell building.

On Tail Of Males

It is rumored that following this open house, on Friday evening before the girls moved in the next day, Mrs. Kelly led a cast of seven bloodhounds in a four hour search for stray males who might have gotten lost in the labyrinth of halls and rooms of Center Battell. This rumor can hardly be factual, however, for were it true it seems more than likely that somebody would have heard the sniffing. (Of the bloodhounds).

Center Battell is an imposing building. It consists of three stories and a cellar, wherein is located the recreation rooms. To begin at the beginning, most people entering Middle Battell (or, aristocratically, Center Battell) are first smitten by the monster front desk which looks like a fugitive from a Holiday Magazine description of a country inn. Despite its large size, however, the desk does not appear to be out of place for the whole section of the dormitory which is normally open to public appraisal (the downstairs recreation rooms and the lobby) has the look of a modernistic ski inn, minus picture windows.

Bridge In, Windows Out

On the whole the building is neither revoltingly bad nor strikingly beautiful. It is practical yet rather cramped. Its colors have broken away from traditional green, and include relaxing and pretty shades of yellow and blue. There is also a noxious red which makes even the strong blanch and even the unbeliever fear he is one world too low amidst the dancing flames of

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Varsity Debaters To Tour Southland During Holidays

With all expenses paid, four members of Middlebury's varsity debating team will spend spring vacation debating in the South from Florida to Virginia.

The group under the direction of Frederick Bowman, coach of debate, includes Edward MacDowell '56, Alan Entine '56, Dann Sargeant '57, and Norman Ingham '57. The topic of debate will be "Resolved, that the United States should extend diplomatic recognition to the Communist government of China." The trip will last from March 31 to April 13.

Tentatively the five are planning to travel by car to Florida and then work north. In Florida they plan to debate against Florida State University in Tallahassee, the University of Florida in Gainsville, the University of Tampa and Florida Southern College in Lakeland. Aside from the regularly scheduled debates and tournaments in Florida, the group also hopes to enter some extemporaneous speaking, oratory and dramatic reading contests.

In Georgia there will be contests at Georgia Tech in Atlanta; and in South Carolina, at the Citadel in Charleston, and the University of

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Bowman, Mrs. Underwood Star In Lions Club Comedy

By Mark Hopkins

"You Can't Take It With You," a Lions Club of Middlebury first production, admirably and amusingly proves that love blossoms despite interruptions by exploding fireworks, a dreamy, novel-writing mother and a young couple composed, strangely enough, of a struggling ballerina and xylophone player.

The play has been on the Little Theater-college circuit much too long to be a smash hit, but the cast of 19, under the careful direction of Judith Berry '55 with general assistance from Erie Volkert, associate professor of drama, gets off some exceedingly funny lines in the process of saying that gilt edged securities aren't much use after this life. Obviously, the moral of the story is the title of the play.

Leads Are Stars

Outstanding in the lead roles are Frederick Bowman, instructor in speech and drama, and Sharry Underwood. Mr. Bowman is excellent in the role of young Tony Kirby, of Wall street breeding, who is suddenly tossed into a pit of eccentric characters for three acts. His professional manner on stage definitely raises the whole level of the show. No audience, however, stodgy, could help but roar over his facial antics when he first comes head on with the likeable, anything-goes Sycamore family. Mrs. Underwood, a veteran of such hit Broadway productions as "Bloomer Girl" and "Finian's Rainbow," lends charming poise to the role of Alice, one of the more stable members of the Sycamore menagerie. She bounces through her lines with real feeling of part and often keeps a sometimes slow moving production on its toes.

Ralph Foote, cast as Grandpa Sycamore, who, in the tumult of nonsensical Sycamorian pastimes, finds a calm, happy life, deserves real credit. He is natural and forceful on the stage and certainly possesses a comprehension of his part.

Minor Roles

In the minor roles, Marty Broughton, Gilbert Shaw and Margaret Fayer, college librarian, are all very good. Mr. Broughton, who plays Mr. DePina, the man who came to dinner and never left, injects wheezy, philosophical comments, some of which, because of their exactly correct timing, are hilarious.

Mr. Shaw booms through his part of Boris Kolenkhov, a dancing teacher since his exile from Russia. He is amusingly loud and convincing. Mrs. Fayer expertly manages a tricky Slavic accent in her role of Olga, a one-time grand duchess of Czarist Russia, but now in the employ of Child's Restaurant, Times Square division.

Essie And Ed

Both William Trask, assistant to the dean of men, and Joyce Fay deserve mention. Mr. Trask, mustached and glaringly dressed in his part

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Sharing Authority

The outlook for student government at Middlebury has improved considerably with the release by President Stratton of the official college stand on the place and scope of student government.

The heart of the statement, prepared by the Deans and approved by the President, lies in the portion labeled "comments", and is worth quoting in its entirety.

"To promote a successful student government, authority has to be shared in good faith; there is no way that the sharing can be faked. It means surrendering to students a definite area in government which we are sure they are competent to manage, and if there are any reservations they have to be specified when the surrender is made. To fail to recognize the authority later or to withdraw it in any part on grounds other than mutually recognized irresponsibility, can be fatal to the whole system. When confidence is once placed in students to the extent of requesting them to undertake an investigation, handle an operation, to promote an endeavor, we have got to accept their final judgment and accomplishment unless it is clearly indicated at the outset that the request was exploratory. There are no more sure ways of destroying student government than by breaking faith with the undergraduates concerned, failing to justify an action taken (when they have participated in occurrences leading up to the final action), or in any way discrediting, disregarding, or belittling their efforts. Frequently the test of student government rests with the patience and tact of administrative officers rather than with students themselves."

This statement could lead to a stronger student government, but unless the definite areas to be managed by the students are designated, "authority shared in good faith" is meaningless.

At present the student governments have little authority. The Women's Assembly has some control over social legislation. The Men's Assembly has control over a fraction of the Student Activities Fees. The men's judicial board has considerably less power than it could easily handle.

A basic reason for the impotent student government has been that no areas have been specifically designated for them. Earlier this year the assemblies, requesting that vending machines be installed in dormitories to provide student scholarships, conflicted with the business office of the college. On the other hand, the assemblies, proposing changes in the women's drinking rules, were given college approval. Both of these areas could have come under the jurisdiction of the student government. Only one of them did.

What we need now is a definition by the college of the specific areas which it is willing to surrender to student government. These could include complete control over all social legislation and handbook rules and judicial boards with greater power. These areas should be discussed by the students and the administration and a definitive statement made.

The quoted passage is a general one, but one which offers hope for a strong student government. Authority can be shared in good faith between undergraduates and the administration, but first the authority must be specified, and shared.

Students' First Step

As the first step in preparing the government for its acceptance of the definite areas of responsibility and the authority that goes with it, the students must strengthen and unify the government from the inside. This can only be accomplished by combining Men's Assembly and Women's Assembly into a coeducational student government.

The combination of Women's Assembly's efficiency in its limited sphere and Men's Assembly's boldness with this year's investigatory committees could prove unbeatable. At least it would be a forward step in strengthening student government from the inside in preparation for the acceptance of the additional responsibility, which, according to the official college statement, students now have the expressed right to claim.

From The Faculty

By J. Rowland Illick, associate professor of geography

Had I two loaves of bread,
I would sell one and buy
White hyacinths to feed my soul.

Few of us are likely to accept Mohammed's philosophy completely, and yet it seems to capture the wholeness of life and to express the educational objectives of a liberal arts college.

In a world concerned with the acquisition and protection of material goods, the tendency to earn more loaves of bread is great, while the desire for hyacinths, or the esthetic values, is frequently secondary. Man needs bread to live, but he also needs the fragrance and simple beauty of white hyacinths for the full enjoyment of living. One without the other is incomplete. What is life if we lose the capacity of enjoying life in the process of accumulating material assets?

The chief contribution of education is to plant in the mind the idea that there is a oneness to all knowledge. Understanding is not compartmentalized or separated by the semi-artificial limits suggested by divisional course offerings, but is intimately interrelated. The panoramic view of the Champlain dairyland, Lake Champlain, and the Adirondack Mountains achieved from atop Snake Mountain on a May morning may arouse feelings of esthetic delight, but the pleasure is more complete when one knows how the land and the people all fit together.

Enrichment and understanding come only after seeing how things work together. This sense of universal understanding pervades the poetry of Robert Frost. In the flight of the butterfly and the whispering of a scythe, Frost finds a kinship between man and man, even those who think they work alone.

From "The Tuft of Flowers" . . .

The butterfly and I had lit upon,
Nevertheless, a message from the dawn,
That made me hear the wakening birds around,
And hear his long scythe whispering to the ground
And feel a spirit kindred to my own;
So that henceforth I worked no more alone;
But glad with him, I worked as with his aid,
And weary, sought at noon with him the shade;
And dreaming, as it were, held brotherly speech
With one whose thought I had not hoped to reach.
"Men work together," I told him from the heart,
"Whether they work together or apart."

A fact is universal. It can be employed by the physical disciplines, and also by the fields of learning we call the social sciences and the humanities. Each uses the fact or idea to bring into focus a facet of knowledge. Full satisfaction, however, is attained only when the interrelationships between the fact or idea and its environment is understood. This has been called "total relevance." When bread has been acquired for the maintenance of life, and hyacinths gathered to feed the soul, man has added zest and enjoyment to living. At this point, man begins to acquire a respect or reverence for life, because he now sees more clearly the totality of existence and its meaning.

How often are we conscious of the pleasure of being alive, or being here? Usually we are so surrounded by the gadgets and symbols of our time that life sometimes seems to lose its reality. One does not have to hear the Atlantic waters break thundering on a Maine coast or be overcome with wonder and awe by the immensity of Yellowstone Canyon to sense this pleasure of being here. One may glimpse the oneness of nature within the local horizon. The streams of his homeland inspired Izaak Walton to write:

How joyed my heart in the rich melodies
That overheard and round me did rise!
The moving leaf -- the water's gentle flow --
Delicious music hung on every bough.
Then said I in my heart, If that the Lord
Such lovely music on the earth accord;
If to weak, sinful man such sounds are given,
Oh! what must be the melody of heaven!

Walton's heart was stirred and life was glorious because he saw and understood the oneness of his world. The liberally educated man is one whose horizons are infinite, whose thirst to know is unlimited, and who loves life because he begins to see it together as one.

Letter

To The Editor:

Through articles recently appearing in the CAMPUS about the 1955 Variety Show, "Red Chariot," much interest has been created concerning the formation of an orchestra to be used in the show this year. For the benefit of those interested in this -- particularly those who signed up to play in the orchestra -- I am writing this to announce that it now appears that it will be impossible to have the orchestra this year. This is not because the orchestra itself is impossible, but rather because in the short time between now and performance (five and one half rehearsal weeks) it would be impossible to get orchestrations and have them adequately prepared by the final rehearsals of the show. Even if we were to hire a professional orchestrator (which would be extremely expensive), it would take four weeks or more to have the music ready, and that would leave little or no time for the orchestra to prepare as well as to coordinate with the cast.

However, while presently disappointing, there is an encouraging factor in all this, and that is that we found it altogether possible to form a good orchestra of some 25 pieces of all kinds, and what is even more encouraging is that all but four of those whom we had planned to use are underclassmen.

The directors of the Variety Show do not want to see this interest die now that it has been generated. The purpose of the Midd-Time Varieties is to ferret out talent of all kinds on this campus and give the students a chance to use this talent. It is our hope that in the near future the Midd-Time Varieties will become a regular talent agency that can provide entertainment for dances, meetings, and other college and town functions throughout the year.

With all this in mind, I would like to suggest that the interest in an orchestra that has been created this year be renewed early in the fall next year, and that an orchestra be started that will perform throughout the year. And I would suggest also that this orchestra be under the auspices of the Midd-Time Varieties, it being the one all-embracing talent organization on the campus.

The directors of the show this year are very sorry that we will be unable to use the orchestra as originally planned, but we are confident that with more time and the knowledge that it is possible, an orchestra can be used in the show next year.

Ellis Baker '55,
Musical Director,
Midd-Time Varieties

A Student's Viewpoint

By John von Hartz

Many buildings on the Middlebury campus thus far this year have undergone the Great Modernization. The Student Union, once a drab and montonous as the dialogue that is often heard there, is now rich with radiant onyx, embellished with bright chrome rails, and mobile-like frames for advertising posters. The book store has followed the same road, that ended just this side of Rexall's. And now the Middle Battell is nearly completed, we have hit the zenith in modernization with shiny linoleum floors, a polished, stained receiving desk and an inter-communication gadget whose powers of over-hearing as well as broadcasting are just a little bit frightening.

The new dormitory is a handsome triumph for modern living. However, a few of the women now in residence are still a bit wistful about leaving Hillcrest, Porter House and the other informal little dorms where the very inconveniences often added to the zest of life there. The melancholy reaction is, of course, only natural, and in 100 years the women in college then will sigh when they have to evacuate crumbling, quaint old Middle Battell. Sentimentality and progress have always been incompatible.

Now as the student gazes around at the Great Modern buildings he is naturally delighted with the change. Service in the Student Union is quicker, the book store has a wider selection of merchandise, and Middle Battell has many more conveniences. And since progress appears to be the theme behind the new alterations let us look at a site where modernization could be put to its most salutory effect. That site is the road that runs to the Chateau and loops around to pass all three Battells.

There are seven street lights on that road and no sidewalks. It is just wide enough for two cars to pass each other. What happens to pedestrians that chance to be walking by the spot where two cars are passing is obvious by the amount of mud-ringed ankles seen around campus. The road is poorly paved and has no gutters. In other words, the road to our new palace of modern life is a disgrace.

What is the solution to the safety and traffic problem that is resulting? Many say that cars will be banned from the road. Where will the cars go that are carrying girls that live in the Battells? No one knows. "Let the drivers figure it out" is the common answer. It is manifest that immediate action is necessary. What direction this action takes will pretty well indicate to at least one observer what the status of the car at Middlebury will be in the future. The Battell-Chateau road needs to be widened, better lit, parking lots added around it, and sidewalks built both near the road and across the campus. Although modernization usually leads to happy rememberances of the old dilapidated days, I doubt if anyone would sorely miss the old country road that the modern automobiles now travel. I would like to see the college disprove the theory that because Middlebury is a rural college, it must have rural traffic conditions.

The horseless carriage is here to stay. Let's make it welcome with suitable roads. While the mechanical demon is profiting, the life expectancy of a woman who lives in one of the Battells will take a sizeable upward jump.

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Foreign Service Seeks Applicants

Robert McKinnon of the United States Department of State will meet with Middlebury students Tuesday, March 8, to discuss new career opportunities in the foreign service of the United States, according to an announcement by Stephen Freeman, vice president of Middlebury College. At a general meeting at 4 p.m., in the Trustees Room, Old Chapel, Mr. McKinnon will speak to students interested in a foreign service career, outlining the new recruiting program, after which he will be available for individual interviews.

In conjunction with Mr. McKinnon's visit to Middlebury, Dr. Freeman has contacted heads of the departments for recommendations of students who might be candidates for the program. He stresses the fact that students other than political science majors are eligible for the program, and that the meeting and interviews are not limited to students interested in immediate careers in the field.

Snack Bar Survey Reveals Student Views On Need For Coeducational Government

By Gerry Raymond

The idea of co-educational student government has been under discussion by joint committees of the MUA and WUA and many class groups. Because of this, a survey was taken this week to determine current student opinion on co-educational government, it's need and the chances of its working at Middlebury.

Walter Beevers '55: "I think that joint government is a necessity, primarily because there are so many things that can be accomplished more easily by such a set-up. I favor a government of Middlebury College, not one for the men's college plus one for the women's college where College Street becomes an asphalt curtain between the two. Of course, some functions would have to be kept separate, especially the two judicial boards, because of the Honor System existing at the present time. However, ten out of eleven committees set up this year, including the one for discussion of the women's drinking code, were coed committees. In every field of endeavor, two governments can reach an end more successfully than they can alone. In addition, a government which speaks for the student body as a whole can speak more forcibly and can accomplish more than one which is divided."

Wendy Buehr '56: "The important thing to me is that student government be able to speak with a unified voice which it hasn't done up unt.. now. As it exists at the present time, it is like the right hand acting wthout the left hand knowing what it is doing. They can achieve more power by joining forces. The trouble which has been faced by committees studying the proposal comes over the question of representation. The WUA consists of one representative for every ten girls, while the MUA has carried on all year without an elected system of representation because of the lack of interest in student government. The women are worried about alliance with a group based on the committee system as the MUA is. The joint constitution committee is at present trying to solve this and other problems and hopes to pull something out of the fire."

Nathaniel Dickinson '57: "I'm all for the men and women getting together. I don't think it can do any harm, and it can't help but bring better unity. Right now there is no student interest at all in government, and joint government is the one possibility of increasing interest in government. I think it will work."

Heather Hamilton '57: "I think that coeducational goverment is an excellent idea. Right now the sophomores are working to consolidate a joint government on the class level. If we can work it out on this level, we can work up. I think that we'll have a much better chance by starting at the bottom and then trying to join the two governments on the whole college level. It's going to take everyone's interest to make coed government a working scheme. If the students don't want it, it will never be."

Charles Robinson '58: "The freshmen have been working to set up a system of coeducational government within the class. I think it will be a good thing, if we can put the idea across. We want to put joint government into the constitution so that next year's freshmen can start off under that set-up. I hope that the MUA and WUA can settle their differences and make coed government work."

Jane Robinson '55: "I think that there should be a coed system of government, but first of all they have to get a concrete plan drawn up before anything can be decided. Maybe we could start with the idea of a joint executive council and then work out the joint assembly later on. A definite plan is needed, though, because no one knows now exactly what he wants or how to go about getting it. I think that coeducational government is necessary to develop closer spirit and morale within the college."

Joan Legler '58: "I think that joint government is a very good idea, but that they definitely need to investigate what actual functions a combined government could and would have. Until they decide this, I don't think there is any use in rushing the idea. I do think that such a government could, and will, work, with committees to take care of the separate functions, such as the two judiciary boards. I don't think that there is any evidence of a need for such an organization, except that once the project gets underway, joint student government may prove more effective and powerful than the present separate assemblies are now.

Lion's Play

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as Ed, might remind an audience of the happily sad Charlie Chaplin. Only the duck-walk and bamboo cane are missing. Mrs. Fay, as Essie, Ed's child bride, is gay and energentic throughout the production. She occasionally and skillfully manages to save a slow scene.

Mr. Sycamore, father of Alice and home manufacturer of fireworks, is well played by Tom Brown. Edith Beckwith, cast as Penny Sycamore, mother of the brood, is good and sometimes very funny.

Joseph Sain, who plays Mr. Kirby, and Gladys Murdoch as Mrs. Kirby, both ably support the cast. Major Sain is easily the indigestion-ridden prototype of a Wall Street broker and Mrs. Murdoch raises her disapproving eyebrows at precisely the right times.

Scene Stealers

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Perine handle their parts as the Sycamore colored servants well. There are one or two places where they come close to stealing a scene.

There is a young dipsomaniac, played by Mrs. Dutton Smith, and three federal cops, James Farrell, Pete Relyea and Dutton Smith, who put their all into the show. Roy Knight as a federal internal revenue collector is also good.

The set of "You Can't Take It With You" is realistically constructed, a number of probably hard-to-come-by properties have been unearthed and the acoustics of the High School Gymnasium are terrible.

Still A Show Stopper ...

CARNIVAL'S OVER but it will be a long time before the faculty gets over its show-stopping performance at the Ice Show. Here in this recently released photo are the seven ballerinas in "Le Grand Ballet," (left to right) John Andrews, Bill Trask, Charles Sanford, David Littlefield, Fred Bowman, David Smith, and Harris Thurber.

New Battell

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the demons. The recreation rooms are a fine step in a progressive direction, with permanent bridge and dancing facilities. On the other hand, they have no windows and those subject to claustrophobia may have trouble concentrating on either bridge or dancing.

There are innumerable advantages to Center Battell. It provides a chance for sophomore women to live together as a class. It brings all the women back to the campus. It is a safe, modern building, and it helps to round out the women's campus.

Tradition To Progress

On the other hand the building gives the impression of terrible standardization. The women move from many rooms that are entirely different to many rooms that are basicly the same. The personalities of such old houses as Willard, Voter, and Hillcrest are replaced by the shiny sameness of Battell. It's the old argument of progress versus tradition, the old versus the new, wooden bridges against steel bridges, shaded lanes versus throughways, and so forth. In this case, however, the standardization and small size of the rooms give the feeling of a stiffling, dizzying effect.

Center Battell was necessary and inevitable but I, for one, was glad to get outdoors after spending half an hour within it.

Pardon Tillinghast, assistant professor of history, will be the guest speaker at chapel Sunday. Attendance is required for freshmen and sophomores.

Midd Memo

Red-face Department: A male student, inspecting the recreation room of the new Battell dorm, commented on the two-way intercom system, "That's all we need now is Dean Kelly and her tape-recorder." A voice immediately responded over the speaker, "I do not have a tape recorder."

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Inside Old Chapel: News Chief Presbrey Tries To Keep Middlebury In Public Eye

By Ann Boyer

"Are you trying to put me on the spot?" as Joseph Presbrey, grinning. We had just asked him what he liked best about his job as manager of the College News Bureau. "Well, I guess I like the times we're under pressure to get stuff out. Like the time we had to get a story on a tournament out in 12 minutes."

Presbrey says he has always had newspaper work in his blood. After a four-year stint in the Navy on a destroyer "which hit every engagement in the Pacific from Tarawa to the surrender of Tokyo Bay," he decided to go to Boston University. He majored in journalism and during the second semester of his senior year worked one day a week on a daily.

Paper Every Night

After graduation he became news editor of the eight-page, 4900-circulation, Newport, Vt., "Daily Express." What did that entail? Make-up, editing stories, selecting wire copy, writing heads, editorials, sports columns. "I got a kick out of starting in every morning and putting out a new product every evening," Presbrey said. "Everyone clamors for the paper whether it's worth reading or not. They all make a fuss if it's not on the stands."

After 18 months on the "Daily Express," Presbrey came to Middlebury. Publicity work is much quieter than newspaper work, he says. "Here you know what's going to happen; there aren't many surprises, with the possible exception of sports." His biggest problems are finding out what is going on among the students and chasing people from dorms to fraternity houses to talk to them. Sometimes he can work on information from the CAMPUS, but such news is apt to be old by the time he can send it out. As an example of this, Presbrey said he had not heard abouth the tenth fraternity until he read about it in the CAMPUS.

Selective Basis

What is the function of the News Bureau - to publicize the college? "Yes," he admitted, " if you want to put it bluntly. We say the purpose is to keep Middlebury in the public eye." Presbrey added that he felt that since only those who were interested would read college news, the actual purpose was to keep the alumni and friends informed. Sports, he thought, would be the one thing that people not already acquainted with Middlebury would read. "We don't try to flood the papers, though," he said. "We work on a selective basis."

How does the news get out? A large part of the publicity is done through home-towning, that is, sending news about individual student's achievements to their home-town weeklies.

Pictures of the development program plans and the pomalift were sent out through syndicates, organizations which provide cardboard mats from which small papers are able to print pictures. Pomalift and development program mats were used widely in Vermont papers. But the big papers, says Presbrey, want actual pictures from which they can make their own printing cuts because this gives them better reproduction and enables them to file pictures for later use.

Three C's

How did Carnival publicity work out? we asked. Isn't that your biggest job of the year? "Yes," said Presbrey, "our big jobs are the three C's: Carnival, Conference, and Commencement." He thought that compared to last year Middlebury had done fairly well on Carnival. One reporter, Lincoln Werden from the "New York Times," was there in person, and the "New York Herald-Tribune" used the 300 words Presbrey sent although they had requested only 100.

A native Bay-Stater, Presbrey claims winter sports leave him cold. "Golf is my main vice," he admits. He has never taken his one month vacation in a lump. He explains he is too busy in the winter and too satisfied with Vermont weather in the summer to travel. Fellow-golfers are men's ski coach "Bobo" Sheehan and Snow Bowl Manager Ralph Myhre.

"College sports events keep me on my toes around here, too, and relieve the routine," he said. "And I've met more people in the first six months on this job than I ever did working for the "Express."

He smiled and shook his head as we asked him what he found most frustrating about his job. "Well, how much of the stuff we send out gets printed depends on the editor's needs at the time he receives it," he said. "Once it's out, all I can do is keep my fingers crossed and hope it sees the light of day."

On The Spot...

SCOUTING THE NEWS is Middlebury's publicity man Joe Presbrey, here seen with cigar while covering Carnival. On the right is Warren Case, Middlebury resident and top New England color photographer.

Town Rejects Bid For M.H.S. Gym

Middlebury College's offer to buy the high school gymnasium and accompanying buildings for $125,000 was rejected by the voters of Incorporated School District Number Four .the same area as the town of Middlebury) at a special meeting last Thursday, February 24.

The action of the voters at the meeting followed the recommendation of a citizen's committee, formed by the recessed meeting of February 2, that the college offer be rejected in order that the property might be retained for civic purposes. The committee reported that while it appreciated the College's "public spirited effort" to assist the town, it felt the value of the property to be more than the college could offer. The report also stated that in a very few years the facilities in the present Town Hall would be inadequate and the high school building could easily be converted into an office building.

CA Hears Hutchison Retell Velde Committee Inquisition

By Jon Brand

"Communism has not been a real domestic problem since 1947, Mr. McCarthy notwithstanding," said John Hutchison, professor of religion at Williams College, in a speech delivered to the Christian Association last Wednesday evening. By 1947, said Dr. Hutchison, communists had been effectively eliminated from unions and the government.

Dr. Hutchison told about his experiences with the House Un-American Activities Committee last year. He was brought before the Velde Committee twice, once at a secret executive hearing and a few weeks later at a public, klieg-lighted hearing. He was confronted by the written statements of two professional witnesses who maintained that they had seen him 20 years previously at the Baltimore Communist headquarters where he supposedly checked in before going to his church to preach a sermon.

Small Town Detective

Hutchison characterized an agent of the committee as "a small town detective armed with the power of subpoena," and he said that he suspected that the committee was worried about its appropriation. "Its objective was to establish in the public mind as plausible that the Protestant ministry was tainted with communists." It was smarting at its defeat at the hands of Bishop Oxnam, who "gave more than he got."

Debate

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South Carolina in Columbia. In North Carolina they are scheduled at Duke in Durham, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and in Virginia at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and at Washington and Lee University in Lexington.

Lorch Organizes

It is interesting to note that the debate at the University of Virginia will be organized by Ernest Lorch, Middlebury '54, who is now studying law at the University.

The trip is being financed by the debaters' fund which is supported substantially through the generosity of Edwin Lawrence of Rutland, an alumnus of UVM and a trustee of the Rutland Railroad. It is hoped that fraternity affiliations will help accommodate the debaters on southern campuses.

Tournament Next Week

On March 11 and 12, four members will be chosen from the debating team to attend a tournament at St. Lawrence University in Canton, N. Y. In addition to those taking the spring trip, the team includes Alice Armstrong '57, Dorothy Hiebert '57, and Sandra Nelson '57.

Middlebury will send debaters on March 24, 25, and 26 to enter section eight of the semi-finals at Syracuse. This debate will be an elimination contest to determine the team which will enter the final tournament to be held at West Point later in the year.

From Williams...

DR. JOHN HUTCHISON

Hutchison returned home from the public hearing to find himself a national figure. He was hot copy for the newspapers and saw himself on the "sex page" of the New York Daily News right next to Miss Universe, who had just become divorced. The president, faculty and students of Williams were solidly behind him, however, as were the residents of Williamstown, Mass.

Freedom Strained

"American Constitutional freedom is racing stress and strain unparalled in its history," said Dr. Hutchison. He said that he saw no intelligence or conscience in the gentlemen on the committee. At no time was he confronted by his accusers, given a list of charges, or was his lawyer allowed to cross-examine. "The professional witness has a career of a kind," said Dr. Hutchison. "He works for the Department of Immigration and is guaranteed 17 days of work a month at $30 a day."

Dr. Hutchison will return to Middlebury later this month to discuss the effect of religion upon man's changing image upon himself at the thirteenth Middlebury Conference.

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Student Gives Tour Of Mythical Campus; Prospective Freshman Snowed By Rules

By John Weiger

NOTE: The following episode might have happened anywhere. Any resemblance to our own Alma Mater is unfortunate.

George was showing the prospective freshman around the campus. It was late afternoon on a Friday in mid-February. After leaving the office of the Dean of Admissions in the grey limestone administration building, George stopped at the registrar's office to inquire about his fall semester grades.

The young girl swung herself around on her swivel chair and thumbed through the cards. Frowning, she looked up at George and his companion.

"Yes, senior grades are ready, but we can't give you yours. You owe sixty cents to the library for an overdue book."

George pleaded, but the girl said no more, merely regarding him with an "I-don't-make-the-rules-I-just-obey-them" look.

George and the prospective member of the class of 1959 slid over to the library. It was, however, closed.

"Not much call for the library up here, I guess," deduced the prospective freshman, whose name, incidentally, was Joe Fisher. Fish for short.

"Well, let's head on up to the Student Organization Building," suggested George. "They've just fixed the place up—new railing, too—and I hear you can get a dinner there now. Let's take your car.

The cold weather caused complications, however, and it was necessary to be pushed to a start.

"I might as well warn you, Joe, that you'll have to leave your car at home next year. Freshmen can't have wheels up here."

"You sure have a lot of rules here," grunted Joe. "I'll bet the girls have to be in before midnight every night, too." He waited for George to laugh.

"As a matter of fact," said George, "there has been talk that next year cars will be prohibited for everyone. The administration is right, of course. My grandfather didn't have a car when he went to college. He used to walk three miles every day and take in the fresh country air . . . ."

"What's that!" shouted Joe. Ahead of them an opaque cloud was rising from the smokestack into the fresh country air.

Cafeteria Time

They entered the cafeteria. A sign advertised a special: steak, lettuce, tomatoes, and French fries for 75 cents. They ordered the steak.

"We don't have steak," answered a sleepy-eyed young man in a white jacket. "Anyway, it's closing time."

George looked at his watch. It was only six o'clock. He was informed that there was to be a hockey game that night, and that the cafeteria would have to close.

Joe had not eaten anything since early morning and felt faint. George promptly drove him to the infirmary. He rang the bell but for a long time no one answered. Finally the door was opened a bit. A face peered through the opening and said:

"Office hours begin at seven. Come back then."

The door was shut once more.

More Tour On Saturday

Saturday morning. Outside, the sun was shining, the smokestack smoking, and the maintenance men were shoveling sand onto the sooty snow which had fallen last week.

George and Joe had finally maintain entrance to the cafeteria. They were just leaving, for the cafeteria was about to close once more. George took Joe upstairs to the lounge. He explained that a friendly woman usually sat in the little office. It was her job, among others, to give out ping pong balls and paddles, and billiard equipment.

"Say, I'm up for a little pool, George," said Joe. "How about you?"

"I'd like to," answered George, "but the lady isn't here on weekends. If you want to play pool or ping pong, you'll have to stick around for a school day."

They seated themselves in the soft, comfortable chairs that yielded to the pressure of their bodies with an audible hiss.

"What about vacations, George? For instance, how many days do you get off for Thanksgiving?"

"We get four and a half days off. That gives me a chance to get home. I live over in the state capital, you know."

"Wow! I live in Ohio and I don't know a soul in this state. I guess I'd have to spend Thanksgiving in the dorms."

"I'm afraid not," replied the senior. "The dorms are closed then and you'll have to leave, or rent a room downtown."

"Well," asked Joe, "what about courses? What are some good ones to take?"

George mentioned some of the better courses.

"Say!" said Joe, "I'm interested in the Far East! I think I'll take that course on Chinese government."

"Before you can take that course, you'll have to study American government."

"Oh, well, then how about that course on opera? I like classical music."

"No-o-o, I'm afraid not. You'd have to take the music survey course first."

Joe got up and put on his coat.

"Well, it's been real. Hope to see you again. I've learned a lot about this college. You've been here almost four years and I can see why you'd be proud and anxious to graduate from here."

General Exams

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clude all departments with the exception of English. Because of the comparatively large number of majors in that department, some of its oral tests may be given the week preceding May 16.

The Student Educational Policy Committee, headed by David Bridges '55, drew up the new general examination policy and submitted it to the faculty for approval last month. It was considered by the faculty's General Examination Committee, headed by Walter Bogart, professor of political science, before final approval.

John Bowker, Dean of Faculty, said that departments will schedule general exams in the week of May 16-21 "in so far as possible."

General exams are designed to test a student's overall knowledge gained in his major department during four years. Students are required to pass the exams before being awarded their bachelor's degree.

Two Procedures For Exams

Departments or divisions are given the choice of two procedures by which students can meet the general exam requirement. They may either prepare the student for the general examination by seminars and conferences, for which credit is given, or they may require the student to pass a 60-level course with its final examination.

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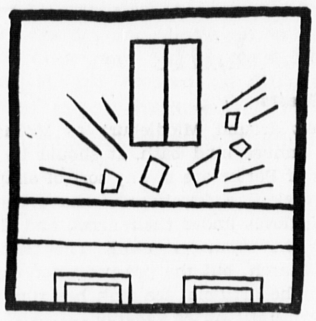

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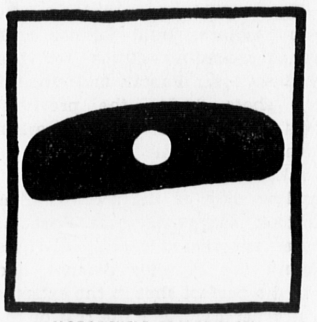

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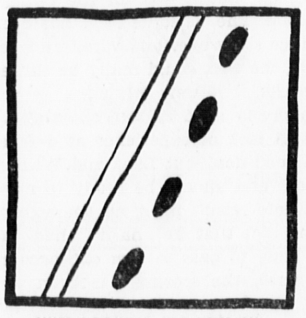

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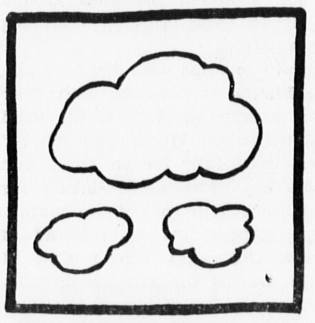

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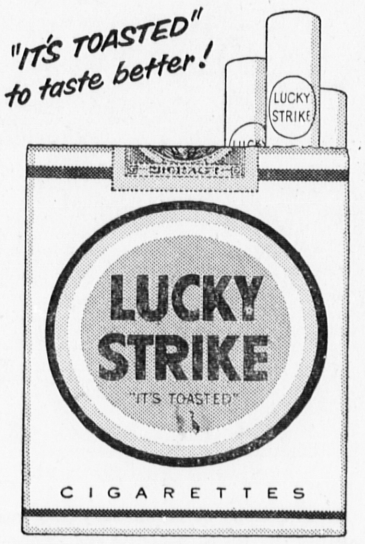

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Pucksters Tip Williams 4-3; Engineers Get 6-0 Revenge

By O. S. Morton

Minus the services of Captain Ron O'Keefe, Bernie Bouvier, and Fyfe Dollar, Middlebury's hockey team traveled to Troy, N. Y., where it ran into RPI's potent first line which accounted for all the scoring as the Engineers skated to a 6-0 victory last Saturday afternoon before 6,000 Carnival fans at the RPI Field House. Earlier in the week, the Panthers nipped a stubborn Williams aggregation, 4-3, in overtime on home ice.

Revenge For RPI

The win was sweet revenge for the Engineers who had been shaded by Middlebury in an overtime contest earlier in the season. With the return of Frank Chiarelli, fourth ranked scorer in major eastern competition, to team with brother Dick and center Jim Pope, RPI controlled the action for most of the game, tallying at least once in every period, while holding Duke Nelson's squad to just fifteen shots on goal. Pope flashed the red light four times while each of the Chiarellis got one goal apiece.

With the game just ten seconds old Dick Chiarelli dented the visitors' nets on assists from brother Frank and Pope, after a faceoff to the left side of Ken Farrar in the Middlebury cage. Then at 12:29, with RPI skating five on six, Frank Chiarelli went almost behind the Panther cage, passed to Pope out in front, and the Engineer center fired a skipper past Farrar to make it 2-0. Pope tallied the host's third goal of the period at 13:55 after feeds from Frank Chiarelli and Lloyd Bauer.

Chiarelli Solos

When Midd came out for the second stanza, Buff Bermas took over net-tending duties for the Panthers after Farrar had stopped nine shots during the previous twenty minutes. RPI's only marker of the period came at 1:24, when Frank Chiarelli made the most dazzling play of the afternoon, as he took the puck from Pope at center ice, skated in a semi-circle around the Panther defense, and lodged a perfect shot in the extreme left corner cage. For the rest of the period, Middlebury battled the Sliderulers on even terms as Coach Nelson switched his lines around trying to come up with a scoring combination.

Again at a one man disadvantage, the Engineers came up with their fifth counter at 12:09 of the third chapter, when Frank Chiarelli fed Pope beautifully for an angle shot from the right side. Getting his and RPI's final goal of the contest, Pope slapped in the rebound of Frank Chiarelli's screen shot at 17:26. During the last ten minutes, RPI goalie Bob Fox was called on to make several brilliant saves as the Panthers pressed hard in enemy ice.

Williams Fights Hard

An inspired Williams sextet, which had been shutout by Middlebury back in January, battled hard all the way before succombing at 00:58 of the extra session when Mac Binning found the range from close in after passes from Pete Bostwick and Alex Carley.

The Panthers, again missing O'Keefe and Bouvier from the lineup, found themselves at a 1-0 deficit after the opening period as a result of a goal by Al Foehl of the Ephmen. At 1:42 of the second stanza Dick Flood gave his mates a 2-0 advantage when he fired an angle shot past Bermas in the Middlebury nets. At 3:11, the Panthers came to life when Carley slapped in a backhander from five feet out. Late in the period Ken Kouri evened matters flipping a rebound over Williams' goaler Marr who was flat on the ice.

Middlebury took a one goal advantage early in the final chapter, as Rollie Schopp took feeds from Binning and Carley and beat Marr at 1:14. It looked as if the Panthers might hold this lead to the end, until Flood once again became the culprit flipping a rebound past a prostrate Farrar who had taken over from Bermas at the start of the second session. Total saves in the game found Farrar with 11, Bermas with 10, and Marr with 32.

RPI Summary

Middlebury - g, Farrar, Bermas; rd, Lenz; ld, Witham; rw, Kouri; c, Carley; lw, Kunzmann.

Alternates - Binning, Marlow, Bostwick, Robinson, Wakefield, Mandigo, Schopp.

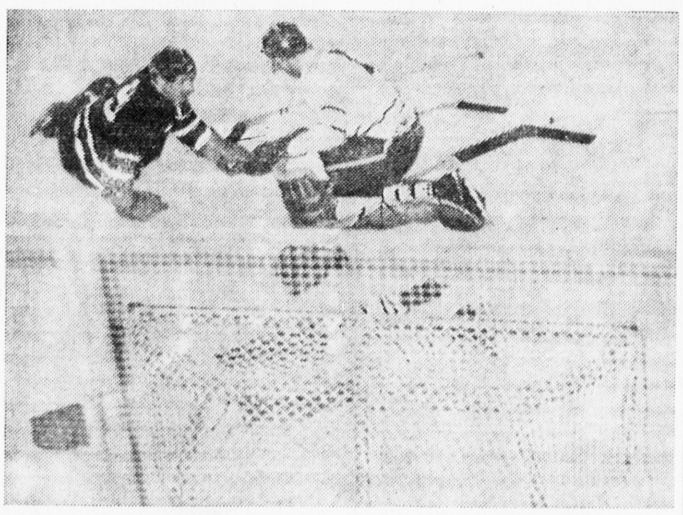
RPI - g, Fox; rd, McArthur; ld, Karch; rw, F. Chiarelli; c, Pope; lw, R. Chiarelli;

Alternates - Bauer, Magadini, Baum, Mousavires, Williams, Lyon, Perret, Walmsley, Stopen.

First Period - RPI - (F. Chiarelli, Pope) 00:10, RPI - Pope (F. Chiarelli) 12:09,RPI - (F. Chia- (F. Chiarelli, Bauer) 13:55. Penalties - Karch 3:08, Schopp 4:43, R. Chiarelli 11:04, Saves - Farrar 9, Fox 4.

Second Period 1 RPI - F. Chiarelli (Pope) 1:42. Penalties - Kouri 2:42, Kouri 7:01, Pope 7:42, Karch 11:34. Saves Bermas 4, Fox 5.

Third Period - RPI - Pope (F. Chiarelli) 12:09, RPI - (F. Chiarelli, Karch) 17:26. Penalties - R. Chiarelli, Carley 8:56; Karch 10:27; RoRbinson 16:15; R. Chiarelli 16:26; Saves - Bermas 7, Fox 6. Total Saves - Farrar 9, Bermas 15, Fox 15.



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Roilie Schopp of Middlebury and goaltender Marr of Williams are both on the ice in front of the nets looking for the puck. In reality the disk is in the hands of Al Foehl (lying flat in the goal mouth). Foehl's efforts were acknowledged when the officials awarded a penalty shot to Mac Binning. Marr stopped the free shot, and Foehl had to serve a two minute penalty.

Panthers Beat Huskies; Drop State Title 53-50 To Norwich

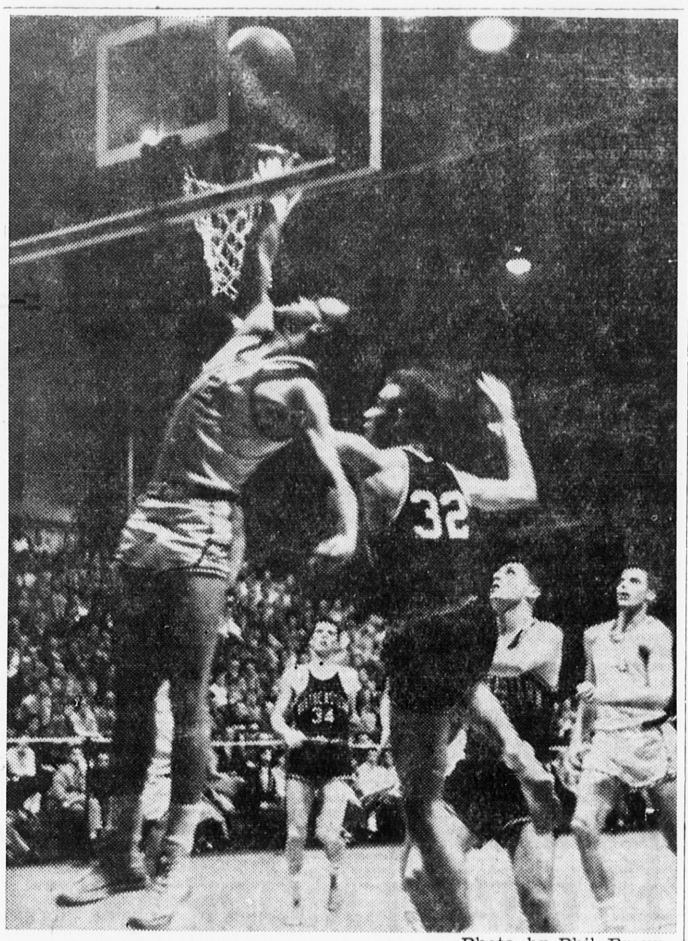

Photo by Phil Braun

Middlebury captain Sonny Dennis flips one in for the Panthers over the outstretched arm of a Northeastern defender. Middlebury won the game 83-72. Moving up the court is Tom Hart of Middlebury.

Chances of victory in the race for the state basketball crown went down the drain for the Middlebury College Panthers last Thursday night as Coach Tony Lupien's team lost to Norwich University, 53-50, for the victors 18th straight victory on their home court.

With the loss, Middlebury could only hope for a triple tie for first in the state standings, and that was possible only if Norwich lost to St. Michael's College Saturday night. However, Norwich won that one too, 70-67, to give them first place in the state with a five and one record and an impressive 18 and 3 mark on the year. Middlebury, by beating the University of Vermont in the season finale here on March 4th, can take undisputed possession of second place.

Norwich Holds First Half Edge

In the game, Norwich jumped out to an early lead, and held the advantage throughout the first half, leading at the half, 28-20, in a defense minded game. Dale Montgomery was the Horsemen's leading point getter during this stretch.

When play resumed, Midd looked like it might repeat its earlier home victory against the Cadets, as they overtook their state rivals and built up a five point advantage with 10 minutes to go. The Horsemen had enough left to come on again and regain control, with Chet Szwejkowski, set shooting ace held scoreless in the first half, dropping in 10 points in the stretch drive.

Montgomery Nets 19

Top scorer for both teams was Montgomery with 19 points, while Chuck Sykes led the Panthers with 17 and playing his usual fine floor game. Big Tom Hart was bottled up by the collapsing Norwich defense, scoring only 12, while Captain Sonny Dennis failed to get into double figures.

Against Northeastern at home on Saturday night, the Panthers bounced back from their first defeat in seven games to trip up the Huskies, 83-72, on the strength of Tom Hart's rebounding and scoring and a fine performance by Chuck Sykes.

The Panthers started out in front and built up a 14-9 lead before Northeastern started to come on. Led by Captain Eddie Ayres and center Ted Brooks, the visitors took a 16-15 lead at 11:35 and held the advantage until the 16 minute mark when Sykes' driving and feeding reversed the tide once more.

Midd Leads At Half Time

Hart put the Panthers ahead with a tap, and with Sykes contributing two more baskets and setting up some more, the Panthers managed a 38-31 half time lead.

Middlebury threatened to break the game wide open in the second half, as they never lost the lead again and kept adding to their advantage. Hart, Sykes and Cy Anfindsen's shooting from the outside enabled the Panthers to draw away, 75-60, late in the game, allowing Coach Lupien to substitute freely, but it wasn't long before the regulars came back.

The Huskies put on a drive that netted them 12 points while they held the Panther gunners to two, making the score 77-72. Two free throws by Hart and two more by Ralp Woodbury, just recently returned to action after an injury, closed out the scoring and clinched the Panthers 12th victory.

Trouble On The Line

Foul shooting difficulties made the game a little closer than it might have been for the Panthers as they converted only 15 of 28 while the visitors missed only ten of 32. Foul shooting decided the game at Northfield as both teams had 20 field goals with Norwich having the edge at the line, 13 to 10.

Monday night, the Panthers travelled to Williamstown, Mass., to

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The Bye - Line

By Walt Mears

Things are slowly starting to melt around Middlebury as Mother Nature prepares to give Vermont its annual mud bath. It should be a few weeks yet before the playing fields of Porter are in any sort of shape to permit outdoor practice, but nevertheless, a few hopefuls have been noted about the campus with baseball gloves under their arms, and the track team has started workouts for the coming meeting. The tennis team has a match scheduled for late March, but the prospects for that one are still doubtful since interest in the artificial ice rink has run so high that the rink may not be taken down until spring vacation.

It would seem logical to us to have the rink in operation until spring vacation rather than taking it down earlier as had been originally planned. When the rink was built it was emphasized that it was for the College as a whole rather than for the varsity alone. The schedule as it has been set up is very fair, but with the Carnival ice show over and varsity hockey out of the way as it will be in a few days, the rink could really be turned over to the citizenry for the next few weeks, if it were left up.

The varsity hockey team has had a pretty good season, chalking up eleven wins to date against seven losses. A lack of experience at defense early in the season hurt the Panthers a good deal, but Lenz and Witham have come a long way during the season, and should be ready to move from the start of next season. Ron O'Keefe hasn't piled up the scoring total that he amassed last year, but the fact that he hasn't had an experienced defense behind him all the time to pass to him can account for the drop to a large extent. In general, the scoring has been well balanced, a not unhealthy sign.

An interesting sidelight on the recent Carnival game against Dartmouth was discovered by one of the eminent statisticians in the Dartmouth record book. It seems that the all time high scorer for Dartmouth so far as single game scoring goes is Dick Rondeau, who, incidentally, coaches the Providence College team which recently pulled off the upset of the year when they beat Clarkson last Saturday night. He netted twelve goals on February 8, 1944. Rondeau also copped the all time record for assists, eleven, in the same game, thus totaling twenty-three points for the all time high in that department. The opponent: Middlebury College. The team total record was set the same day, of course. That awesome mark was thirty. The Middlebury score is not known. It is assumed that it wasn't thirty-one. We wonder how many saves the Middlebury goal tender had that day.

Skiers Enter NCAA Meet

By Joe Mohbat

Middlebury's Norm Cummings received a bid to enter the Olympic jumping tryouts last weekend, and according to the results available here as of now, he fared very well on the first day of action, placing fifteenth; however, the competition out there was of a calibre higher than any he has as yet come across, and he was not selected to represent the United States in the 1956 Winter Olympics in Italy. Only the top six jumpers were picked, and the winner was the national jumping champion; the others among the early finishers included former Olympic skiers and various U. S. champions. However, Cummings must be given credit on two counts; the honor and compliment of being invited to try out for the Olympics, and the commendable feat of finishing thirteenth out of a host of the country's top jumpers. Cummings was chosen because of his outstanding performances in com-

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By The Old Scribe

The hot word this week from locker No. 420 is that the top fraternity outfit in the UVM bush league basketball circuit will be coming down here to Midd tomorrow night to take on Phil Derick's DU five, the winners in this year's Middlebury bush league b-ball. Over an individual pizza at the Old Mill the other night, The Old Scribe learned from the UVM scribe that the team expected to cop the honors in their league is none other than Kappa Sigma, which Mitch tells me is loaded. However, these boys will have to go some to beat such performers as Dow, Norcross, Derick, Catlin, and Seamans. It is my humble guess that our DU boys will have a tough time with the Vermonters, but will in the end, prevail. All who would like to watch this fray are perfectly welcome to do so. The tentative time set is 5:00 p.m. To my knowledge, this is the first time that anything of this type has been tried. If it works out this year, it could become as integral a part of the Middlebury-UVM rivalry as football and basketball are. Well, almost.

In hockey this week, spectators were treated to some of the fastest, roughest, and best games of the season. As the contestants get more and more skating under their wide belts, the brand of hockey improves, so that the games are now a pleasure to behold. Theta Chi continues to hold the top spot with a 6-0 record, and they have yet to be scored upon. This week they took the Chi Psi's 4-0, and the DKE's 2-0. In the former game, Hunt, Durant, Denny, and Cheney were all heros, while Dodson, Badger, and Cluett looked good for the Chipsies. Next night against the DKE's, Kip Cheney scored twice, which was enough to better a game but undermanned DKE team. This defeat mathematically eliminates the DKE's, and leaves only the Sig Eps and the DU's with a chance to overtake the leaders. It is not likely that they will.

In what turned out to be one of the best games of the season, the underdog KDR's squeeked by the Chi Psi's in overtime, 1-0. It took the combined efforts of "Rocket" Garcia and "Boom Boom" Atkins, to gether with some brilliant goal tending by Black Hawk prospect Lou Kempton, to turn the trick, and it left a capacity crowd limp in their seats. Here's how it went. In the first few seconds of the first overtime period, Atkins grabbed a loose puck in the KDR defensive zone, wobbled gamely up the ice, where he flipped a pass to Garcia crashing in over the Chi Psi blue line. Marcie faked out the defense, and then drilled a long, tight angle shot past the surprised Opler. It was all over as quickly as that.

Previously, the KDR's had beaten the PKT's 2-1, on goals by Hill and Reed. Geenty scored for the losers.

In other games, the ATO's took the Slugs by 5-1. For the victors, Quintin and Ward showed the way, with the former getting three, and the latter two goals. Read scored for the Slugs. Following this, the Sig Eps beat the DU's in a close one 2-1. Keating and Widen tallied for the Sig Eps, and Martin got one for DU. This game put the Sig Eps in second, and dropped the DU's to third in the standings.

Athletic Council Notes

By Bob Webb

The first Wednesday in February, the Athletic Council lit its candle in the darkened bushel basket of Munroe, but the passing of the motion to remove the distinction between major and minor sports at Middlebury blew a small hole in the wicker. The light shone forth upon the campus, setting tongues flying as it flitted from person to person. For awhile, angry inquiries were heard asking who were these authoritarians who took away our sweaters, but resignation has set in and quiet is restored, for time has quickly patched the basket.

While a glimmer of interest remains, however, let us glance around at some of the controversies aroused. In January the Council discussed the relationship of athletics to admissions, and some members may have been surprised to hear that Middlebury's academic standing effected its rejection by promising athletes. There seems to have been an unconscious acceptance of the hypothesis that athletes always put their sports before studies. However, I am sure that more than a few potential Midd letter men turn our college down because of the insignificance of the name Middlebury to prospective employers. In days when record numbers are attending college, a diploma has got to have a name. Therefore, other things being equal, the college with the better name wins out. Our only two consistently successful teams owe their boost to geographical factors. The northern wilderness of Vermont has given hockey teams ice in the past, and has helped establish a name which will continue in these warmer days with the aid of artificial ice. The ski team has now at their disposal the finest college ski area in the country, and in all probability will continue to show the results. Other teams lacking such extra impetus fare poorly. Spring sports suffer from the additional handicap of a drastically shortened season. To compete successfully with teams such as Amherst, Wesleyan or Tufts, we must at least start on an equal footing in so far as student material goes. We cannot do this without equal academic standing. To try to produce top teams otherwise, is to raise an artificial front.

I would not be misunderstood here, however. I do not mean not to take advantage of the success our winter sports have. If we have a good team let's make it known. Why this has not been done in recent weeks is a mystery, but it seems we are ignoring one of our best publicizing vehicles. This Sunday Clarkson and St. Lawrence had big pictures in one New York paper, and while they are admittedly superior to our squad, it seems we deserve more than a two inch notice for beating RPI, the defending N. C. A. A. champs. And when the ski team won the E. I. S. A. championship, we got about half the publicity that Dartmouth got for winning their own carnival, even though Dartmouth was fifth at Norwich and third here.

Here, then, is the challenge for the administration. If Middlebury is equal academically to the top New England colleges, let's publicize and prove it. If not we must be content with second-rate teams, for then we are a second-rate college.

Basketball

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tackle the New England representative in the NCAA basketball tournament, once beaten Williams College, and the final count showed the Ephmen on top, 72-55.

Cullen Leads Williams

The first half was filled with a lot of exciting basketball as the lead changed hands seven times before the Ephmen came out with a 34-31 lead at intermission. The big man in the Williams attack was big Bill Cullen who ripped the cords for 19 points in the period in a dazzling exhibition of outside shooting.

For the Panthers, Chuck Sykes and Cy Andfindsen did most of the scoring up until the first half break, with Anfindsen tallying all of his 13 points in this period. The Panthers were playing at a decided height disadvantage, against a starting Williams five that average better than 6-3 per man.

In the second half, Williams opened up right at the start, and a string of seven points while Middlebury garnered only one gave the Ephmen a nine point edge, 41-32. Middlebury cutu that lead down in a few moments to 44-40, but they never got close again as Williams reeled off 13 straight points to take command.

Dennis and Hart fouled out late in the ball game to remove any doubt whatsoever about the outcome, but not before Hart had given a tremendous exhibition of rebounding against his taller adversaries, collecting 27.

The box scores:

Skiing

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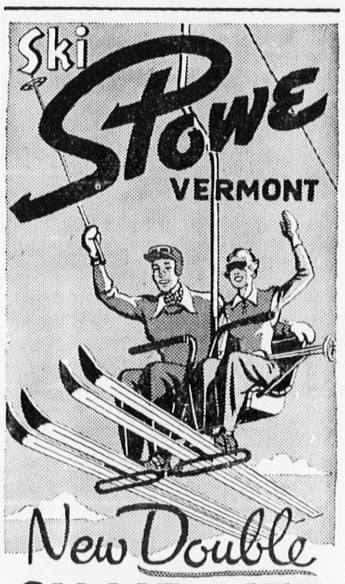
petition this season. The young sophomore took third in the Norwich Winter Carnival, for example, and then finished fourth in the EISA championship meet at the Midd Carnival.

Harvard Slalom

Other local ski news: Middlebury took first place in the Harvard-Bromley Giant Slalom at the Snow Bowl on February 20. Dartmotuh was second and the University of New Hampshire third. This was the second straight meet victory for Middlebury, and their fifth in six meets. Middlebury grabbed four out of the first eight places and finished well ahead of the Indians.

It seems there was a slight mix-up in the scoring at our own Carnival meet, the correction of which shows UNH, and not Dartmouth, to be the runner-up, relegating the Indians to third place. According to Professor Wissler, who was in charge of scoring the meet, the error occured in the transcription of Gale's (UNH) cross-country score to the Nordic-combined score. The minute difference effected here was sufficient to nudge the Wildcats over the Indians.



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Birthday Cakes, Ltd. Booms In Hepburn
Podell, Murdock, Kittell Solicit Parents

By Mark Hopkins

Few sentimental occasions have escaped the shrewd mind of the true businessman. Valentine's Day has fallen beneath a seige of Norcross greeting cards, Anniversaries are recognized by Whitman's Chocolates, and Mother's Day has become a time to utilize the facilities of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

On the other hand, Birthday Cakes, a small, but thriving, business, owes its existence to the fact that people really never grow up and still like to get a triple-layer with chocolate frosting on their birthdays. We stopped off last week at the Hepburn offices of Birthday Cakes, sure that we could filch a spare slice of Angel Food somewhere along the line. A stocky, energetic figure who introduced himself as Mike Podell greeted us at the door with a magnificent white-frosting cake balanced precariously in his left palm.

Yummy Deliverers

We found out that Birthday Cakes came into being last May with the express purpose of delivering assorted yummies to sons or daughters who were away from home on their birthdays. Parents are approached via the mails in advance of the date with a well-worded letter explaining the dedicated aims of the service and describing the various size cakes available.

Podell waved a sheaf of papers in our direction which turned out to be an assortment of literature which parents receive. "We didn't get such good returns at first—about 25 per cent. This is our highest month right now—over 50 per cent." He paused for a moment and we quickly counted on our fingers and decided that it certainly was true that June weddings were the most popular. "We usually deliver the cakes to the dormitories on the afternoon of the birthday. I think the cakes are nice, especially the chocolate. Everybody likes them. We like them ourselves." We gazed hungrily at the white-frosting job perched in Mr. Podell's palm. "The way this works is really simple. We find out when a student's birthday is; then we write to his parents and ask them if they would like their son or daughter to have a cake on that date. If they want one, the parents send back the order blank with a check amounting to the cost of the cake." We agreed that it certainly was simple since it took only money to make the thing work.

700 Days Of Birth

"We probably come into contact with 700 birthdays during the school year. Of course, summer months cut down on our business and so do Christmas and spring vacations. Incidentally, this is all run through the Concessions Committee and is approved by the Dean of Men. Some people might wonder if this business is legitimate. It is."

"We get the birth dates for the men from the Dean's office. But we can't get into the women's files so some girls type lists up for us." He pointed to a folder containing several sheets upon which a few hundred names had been jotted down. "We usually send out the letter to the parents two weeks before the birthday. We find that that gets the best results. If you send it out too soon, parents tend to forget about it."

Three Cakes A Day

"There are two others in this with me—both of them my roommates. One is Jack Kettel—it's spelled with two e's. Everybody spells it wrong. The other is Chan Murdock. There are three sizes of cakes available—$3, $4 and $5.50. The $4 cake is the most popular with the $3 running a close second. We get about three cakes a day; five would be a lot."

At this point we were drooling somewhat conspicuously on the floor and keeping a steady eye on the cake which Mr. Podell was waving nonchalantly.

No Answer From Arabia

"We sent a letter to parents in Saudi Arabia once, but never got an answer." We suggested that perhaps the Middle East situation was at the root of the trouble, but Mr. Podell seemed to think not. "No, we get most of our orders from New York City. We got one once from Sarasota, Fla., but there aren't many students from that far away."

We said that we hadn't paged through the Directory lately, but that we did have to leave. We thanked Mr. Podell for his information and gently closed the door with the faint hum of "Happy Birthday" following us down the hall.

Advanced ROTC Openings Remain

Applications for advanced ROTC are still being accepted, according to Lt. Colonel Charles W. Adcock, professor of military science and tactics. Students must have satisfactorily passed the basic course and screening test and be approved by President Stratton and Colonel Adcock before they are admitted to advanced ROTC standing.

Advanced ROTC cadets are paid approximately $27 a month during their last two years at school. In addition they are paid $78 a month during a six-week summer encampment which is mandatory between junior and senior years.

Total pay received by the cadet who successfully completes the course is about $700.

News Briefs

The Placement Office has announced that representatives from the following firms will be available for interviews next week: Monsanto Chemical Co., (men), and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., Actuarial Division (men and women) on March 8; Proctor and Gamble - Sales (men), and Friends Service (all students) on March 9; and on Thursday, March 10, Proctor and Gamble - Manufacturing (men) and U. S. Naval Air Corps.

Six graduate student fellowships for study in Scandinavia have been offered by the governments of Denmark and Sweden for the 1955-56 academic year. These fellowships include all expenses for study, room and board; travel expenses and incidentals must be paid for by the individuals.

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